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Federal Election Commission
Office of the General Counsel
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RE: Jaecks v. Hynes, et al., MUR 5406

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Please be advised that I represent the Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund (misidentified in the complaint as "Donald E. Stephens *Committeeman's* Fund"), Donald E. Stephens individually, and Bradley Stephens in the above captioned matter. I enclose executed Statements of Designation of Counsel for each.

In response to the complaint, the complaint provides no specifics as to allegations against these respondents. Paragraph 23 lists the Fund as having contributed \$1,000 on March 3, 2003 to the Hynes for Senate Committee. Paragraph 23 generally alleges that

in a provision circumvention scheme, the Committee Hynes for Senate, arranged, received and accepted contributions of unrestricted state campaign funds from its allied Illinois state campaign finance committee, Friends of Dan Hynes, and from other Illinois state campaign finance committees in order to indirectly receive monies contributed by corporations, unions, foreign nationals, federal government contractors and contributors who have already reached federal contribution limits, all of which would be barred from direct receipt by the federal Committee all in violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act. 2 USC §441; 11 C.F.R. §110.3(d).

The Donald E. Stephens Committeeman Fund did not make a contribution to the Hynes for Senate Committee on March 3, 2003. It did, however, make a contribution of \$1,000 to the Hynes for Senate Exploratory Committee on that date.

The Respondents have no knowledge of any scheme to violate the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act, and the complaint makes no specific allegations concerning any individual, corporation or union, as being someone who contributed to the Fund for the purpose

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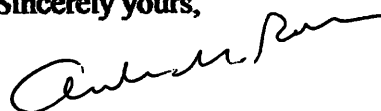
of having the Fund make a contribution to a federal committee.

The \$1,000 contribution to the Hynes for Senate Exploratory Committee was the only contribution to a federal committee in calendar year 2003. A total of \$81,150 was contributed to various state political committees in calendar year 2003.

The respondents would be happy to cooperate with the FEC in this matter.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely yours,



Andrew M. Raucci

Enclosures

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